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February 2, 2009

The Honorable Cathy Searcy Elkhart County Assessor 117 North 2nd Street Goshen, IN 46526

Dear Ms. Searcy:

RE: 2008 Annual Adjustment Ratio Study

The Department of Local Government Finance has reviewed the information and data you originally submitted for the Elkhart County 2008 ratio study as well as the supplemental information. The Department hereby approves the ratio study results based on the study presented without verifying the actual data in order to allow the preparation and delivery of the real property list to the County Auditor pursuant to IC 6-1.1-5-14.

Further studies may be warranted in order to ensure that the annual adjustment process was followed. Additionally, we would encourage you to use all possible sales, which lend greater validity to the sales ratio study.

In conjunction with our Data Analysis section, please continue to ensure your sales disclosure file database is compliant. For assessment year 2009, your 2007 and 2008 sales disclosure data files must be compliant with the rules of the DLGF.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Barry Wood, the Assessment Division Director, at (317) 232-3762 or by e-mail at Bwood@dlgf.in.gov.

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Barry Wood, Assessment Director